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**Subject: The Redevelopment of Pennsylvania Avenue, SE -
East of the Sousa Bridge**

Dear Honorable Mayor Williams:

We hope this letter finds you and your family in good spirits.

This letter is a follow up to your April visit to the Pennsylvania Avenue Task Force and Robert Bobb's May walk thru of the critical area near the Sousa Bridge recapping the important issues raised.

- Excessive speeding and illegal traffic maneuvers by the motorcycles, which still congregate at the Mobil gas station on Pennsylvania Avenue, continues. The Task Force is awaiting increased traffic enforcement by the Metropolitan Police Department.
- Installation of surveillance cameras along Fairlawn Avenue SE along the CSX railroad to catch illegal dumping is planned. Former Chief of Staff Kelvin Robinson indicated your desire and commitment to installing cameras. The Task Force has reached out to the new Chief of Staff Alfreda Davis and is awaiting a response and timetable for the implementation.
- The implementation of the transportation study completed by District Department of Transportation has yet to begin. Currently about a third of the required funds have been dedicated to fully implement the transportation plan.
- Redevelopment of the 2300 block of Pennsylvania Avenue SE on the outbound side needs to commence. The Task Force still

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awaits confirmation from the National Capitol Revitalization Corporation (NCRC) that this project is one of their top priorities. Since NCRC completed its feasibility analysis in January 2003, there has not been any follow through. We again request exerting your sphere of influence with NCRC in making this project a top priority. The Task Force also requests the assistance of the Office of Planning to develop a master plan for the block to explore the redevelopment options identified by NCRC in its feasibility study.

As you know, routine monthly inspections of businesses and properties are critical to maintaining a clean, safe and orderly environment. We encourage you to instruct your Neighborhood Services Core Teams in Wards 7 and 8 to more effectively partner with the Task Force and share with us the results of their efforts to improve this Persistent Problem Area.

As a coalition of eight communities, three ANC Commissions and two wards, the Task Force looks forward to working with you and your administration to making Pennsylvania Avenue the a crown jewel as America's Main Street.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Howard Ways (202) 582-2929 or Edward Mathis (202) 582-1699, Co- Chairs of the East of the River Pennsylvania Avenue Revitalization Task Force.

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